

SMALL'S SLAYER HANGED.

Barnwell Man Preferred Death to Life Sentence.

Barnwell, October 16.—To-day at eight minutes after 12 o'clock for the first time in twelve years Barnwell county witnessed a legal hanging. Elliott Green, alias Bob Green, a negro, paid the death penalty for the foul murder of Oliver Small, another negro, on the place of Herman Brown, near Blackville, last February. The story of Green's crime for which he has paid the death penalty as told by himself to the correspondent of the News and Courier a few hours before the execution, is as follows:

"Some time last spring, while living in Williston, I went up to Blackville. I found Oliver Small (the dead man) and went with him to his house on the place of the Brown's near Blackville. There I saw Ed Furgerson and Cliff Moseley. I did not know them before. We played cards, and I lost all my money and pawned my pistol to Oliver Small for three dollars. When we stopped playing I asked him for my pistol, and when he did not give it to me I hit him in the head with a piece of iron. I then set the house on fire. There was no one there but me and him. The others had gone. I did not put kerosene on him and put him over the wood box. I left him on the floor by the fire, and set the house on fire. I set the bed on fire that set the house on fire."

Green was tried and convicted at the summer term of court for this county, Judge Robert Aldrich, presiding. He was sentenced to be hung on the eighteenth day of September, but Governor Ansel upon a petition signed by many prominent men, the solicitor and the presiding Judge, granted him a respite until the sixteenth day of October. He has since refused to commute the sentence, and the sentence of the court was carried out. The trap was sprung by Sheriff Creech, at 12:08 o'clock, and he was pronounced dead by Dr. E. L. Patterson at 12:20.

Green stated that he was ready to go; that he deserved the punishment that he was about to suffer, as he did it without any excuse, except that he was mad about the pistol. He stated that he wanted to die, that he did not wish to go to jail for life, as he was ready to die; that he had made his peace with God, and was afraid that if he be allowed to live he might not live right. He was very nervous, notwithstanding what he said about being prepared and ready to die. He further said that Sheriff F. H. Creech had treated him like one of his own people, that he had given him everything that would help him.

When the appointed time came for the execution to take place, Green was cut from his shackles and walked out of his narrow cell. He walked fearlessly up the stairs to the scaffold. There was never a quiver that showed fear of his fate. He was praying all the time. When the death warrant had been read and everything was in readiness for the execution, he was asked if he had anything to say. He spoke as follows: "I killed him by myself. I killed him. I hit him in the head with an axe and set fire to the bed."

He then sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee." When the black cap was adjusted and the rope put around his neck and everything was ready, Sheriff Creech said: "Green, are you ready?" "I am ready, let her go," was the reply, and the drop followed instantly. The body was turned over to his relatives for burial, according to his own request.

FOSTER SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Spartanburg Negro to be Hanged for Murder on November 13.

Spartanburg, October 17.—Will Foster, colored, convicted of the murder of John Young, an aged white man, has been sentenced by Judge Klugh to be hanged on November 13. Foster was convicted last January, but secured a new trial and the case was heard for the second time recently, the jury returning a verdict of guilty. He made no reply when asked why the sentence of death should not be passed upon him, though when he was taken back to jail from the court house he told the constable that he was innocent; that the Judge was just as guilty as he.

EXPENSIVE FIRE AT ROCK HILL.

Cotton Worth \$35,000 at Local Market Price Destroyed.

Rock Hill, October 18.—Seven or eight hundred bales of cotton, valued at \$35,000, estimating with the local price of cotton as a basis, were destroyed in a fire which consumed Edward Fewell's ware house here at an early hour to-day. The loss on the building is placed at three or four thousand dollars. Speculating, much more was lost, because the cotton was for the most part stored because the owners were not willing to take the market price. The cotton was insured upon the above basis. On the building Mr. Fewell had about three thousand dollars' insurance. This ware house was badly damaged on the 13th of September, and two hundred bales burned.

GUN WAS LOADED.

Boy Kills Little Girl at Fernandina, Florida.

Fernandina, Oct. 17.—A terrible tragedy was enacted here late to-day when Christiana Kelly, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly, was accidentally shot by Bernard Cone, a lad of 14 years, death resulting immediately. Young Cone had just returned from a hunting trip and was in front of his home, with several children gathered around him. He playfully raised his gun, which he thought to be unloaded, when the trigger was accidentally pulled, emptying the entire load of shot in the body of the little girl, who dropped dead without even a moan. The lad realized what he had done and jumped upon a bicycle in the hope of calling a physician in time to give the child assistance, not knowing that she was already dead.

A CUTTING SCRAPE.

Dr. EsDorn Cut by Frank Johnson. Wound Not Serious.

What came near being a serious difficulty between Dr. C. H. EsDorn and Frank Johnson occurred Saturday afternoon about one o'clock at Magistrate Bryan's office. It has been a little hard to gather the particulars of the difficulty, but it appears that Dr. EsDorn several months ago loaned Mr. Johnson \$25 and that Saturday they met at Magistrate Bryan's office to effect a settlement. Mr. Bryan having expressed a willingness to help Johnson pay the debt. It seems that Johnson did not wish to bother Mr. Bryan and said to Dr. EsDorn that Bryan could not attend to any business as he was drunk. Dr. EsDorn said to him, "well, if Bryan is drunk, I am not and you are not, so come on in." With that he walked in the office. Johnson followed and sprang, without warning, according to the statement of several persons in and around the office, upon EsDorn's back. EsDorn turned quickly and striking Johnson a back handed blow knocked him down and then jumped on him. An instant later he sprang back saying he was cut, and pulled out his pistol. Magistrate Bryan and others interfered and hustled Johnson out of the office closing the door, meanwhile securing Dr. EsDorn's pistol. It was found that Dr. EsDorn was stabbed in the lower left side and cut on the left thigh above the knee. It is the opinion of several that the stab in the side was made when Johnson sprang on EsDorn's back, and the cut on the leg as he was getting off Johnson on the floor. Dr. EsDorn was taken to Dr. W. B. Ackerman's office where he and Dr. Stokes dressed the wounds. It was found that they were not serious though painful. After dressing them he was taken to the residence of Mr. J. R. Lawrence where he was joined Sunday by Mrs. EsDorn and their little son from Beaufort. He will be out again in a few days.

Mr. Johnson was taken to jail just after the affray where he was confined till yesterday when he was released on \$500 bond.

Mr. Johnson was seen this noon by a reporter for this paper and states that he will make a full statement in a few days, but does not care to have anything to say now, except that he does not owe Dr. EsDorn any money, and that he was first attacked.—Walterboro Press and Standard.

The Non-Resident Game Law.

Non-residents who would hunt in this State the coming season should read carefully the following section of the South Carolina game laws:

"It shall be unlawful for any non-resident of this State except on his own land, or on the land under his control or except when accompanied by resident freeholder by special invitation for a special occasion, to catch, kill, injure or pursue with such intent any wild turkey, partridge or quail, in any county of this State, without a license, and the clerk of court for such county is hereby authorized and required, upon the payment to him of a license fee of \$25, to issue to any such non-resident, a license to hunt in each county which shall be for one year. All license and fines collected under this act shall be turned over to the warden of the county for the enforcement of the game laws."

BUSINESS IMPROVING.

Association of Manufacturers' Organ Says Outlook is Bright.

New York, Oct. 18.—The National Association of Manufacturers announced to-day that every branch of industry is showing marked increases of business, and that during the past three months trade conditions have taken on new activity. A canvass among the 3,000 members of the Association bears out the prediction that practically every manufacturing business will be upon a normal basis of production during 1909.

American industries, the official organ of the National Association of Manufacturers, prints in the current issues hundreds of letters from leading manufacturers of the United States, which are the results of a canvass among the numerous manufacturing trades. This resume, covering the entire country, shows that present conditions of trade in the majority of industries are fair, and that the possibilities of an increase during the coming year are good. The industries scheduled are iron and steel, machinery, tools and hardware, agricultural implements, textiles, paper and printing, leather and its manufactures, lumber and its manufactures, vehicles, food products and cement and clay products.

Wright Found Guilty.

Bennettsville, Oct. 19.—Zephyr P. Wright, charged with burning his store, was sentenced by Judge Gary to-day to serve a period of ten years at hard labor in the State penitentiary.

The grand jury returned a true bill. The solicitor empaneled a trial jury, put in the evidence for the State and then announced that the State would be satisfied with a verdict of guilty with recommendation for mercy.

Attorneys announced that such a verdict was acceptable.

The foreman was instructed to write such a verdict. When the defendant was arraigned for sentence his counsel read the proceedings had before the probate court and made an eloquent and touching appeal for mercy on the ground of mental unsoundness of the defendant, basing his plea upon personal knowledge of the defendant's mental condition and the proceedings in the probate court, whereupon the presiding Judge imposed the minimum sentence of ten years.

The entire community sympathizes deeply with the defendant's family, but the general opinion is that his counsel acted wisely.

The handling of the case by Solicitor Spears is highly commended and approved by those who know the facts and situation.

G. Frank Bamberg received a car load of fine horses this week. This is the first car of the season for Bamberg.

RESPONSE TO JORDAN'S CALL.

Ten Thousand Delegates Expected to Attend Convention.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 18.—Men interested in cotton all over the South have responded to the call issued by Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern cotton association, for a convention on November 11-12, the purpose of which is to take steps toward getting a better price for cotton.

The scope of the convention was explained by Mr. Jordan to-day as follows:

"This action was taken on my part in response to a large number of letters addressed to me from all sections of the South, asking that a big cotton meeting be called at Memphis to stem the tide of low-priced cotton. I have found cotton factors and business men generally enthusiastic over the proposed convention and ready and willing to co-operate to make the movement a big success."

Ten thousand delegates are expected to be present, representing all classes of business.

Will Lose Seminary.

Savannah, Oct. 9.—The Lutheran Synod this morning decided to remove the theological seminary now at Mount Pleasant to some other place. The friends of Charleston and Mount Pleasant put up a hard fight to retain the college, but the majority against them was conclusive.

The new site for the seminary is to be selected by its board of directors. As the principal objection to Mt. Pleasant was its inaccessibility, it is believed that the friends of Charleston on the board will make a fight to have it moved to the city of Charleston.

The synod also passed a resolution endorsing a plan to raise an endowment of \$50,000 for the seminary.

New goods constantly arriving at The Herald Book Store.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

State of South Carolina—County of Bamberg.

Notice is hereby given that the General Election for Presidential and Vice-Presidential Electors and Representative in Congress will be held at the voting precincts fixed by law in the County of Bamberg, on Tuesday, November 3, 1908, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday, as prescribed by law.

The qualifications for suffrages are as follows:

Residence in State for two years, in the County, one year, in the polling precinct in which the elector offers to vote, four months, and the payment six months before any election of any poll tax then due and payable. Provided, That ministers, in charge of an organized church and teachers of public schools shall be entitled to vote after six month's residence in the State, otherwise qualified.

Registration.—Payment of all taxes, including poll tax, assessed and collectable during the previous year. The production of a certificate or the receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof.

Before the hour fixed for opening the polls Managers and Clerks must take and subscribe to the Constitutional oath. The Chairman of the Board of Managers can administer the oath to the other Managers and to the Clerk; a Notary Public must administer the oath to the Chairman. The Managers elect their Chairman and Clerk.

Polls at each voting place must be opened at 7 o'clock a. m., and closed at 4 o'clock p. m., except in the City of Charleston, where they shall be opened at 7 a. m. and closed at 6 p. m.

The Managers have the power to fill a vacancy; and if none of the Managers attend, the citizens can appoint, from among the qualified voters, the Managers, who, after being sworn, can conduct the election.

At the close of the election, the Managers and Clerk must proceed publicly to open the ballot boxes and count the ballots therein, and continue without adjournment until the same is completed, and make a statement of the result for each office, and sign the same. Within three days thereafter, the Chairman of the Board, or some one designated by the Board, must deliver to the Commissioners of Election the poll list, the boxes containing the ballots and written statements of the result of the election.

Managers of Election.—The following Managers of Election have been appointed to hold the election at the various precincts in the said County:

Bamberg—F. W. Free, H. W. Adams, E. C. Bruce.
Denmark—J. D. Milhous, Asa Baxter, L. W. Abstance.
Farrell's Store—J. J. England, S. M. Goodwin, J. I. Dempsey.
Ehrhardt—G. W. Hughes, D. P. Smith, J. B. Copeland.
Govan—F. Cook, O. L. Lain, J. A. Lain.

Kearse's Mill—H. W. Chitty, J. J. Kearse, G. E. Kearse.
Midway—B. F. Folk, G. W. Dukes, H. W. Walker.

Olar—A. L. Kirkland, J. G. Brabham, W. E. Sadler.

The Managers at each precinct named above are requested to delegate one of their number to secure boxes and blanks for the election at the Clerk of Court's office in the court house at Bamberg, S. C., on Saturday, October 31st, 1908, between the hours of nine a. m. and five o'clock p. m.

A. L. MILHOUS, J. A. WYMAN, W. H. VARN,
Commissioners of Federal Election for Bamberg County, S. C.

October 13th, 1908.

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FOR FIFTEEN DAYS

Commencing Thursday, Oct. 22

I offer my entire stock of goods at cost. Remember the day and don't miss the big opportunity to secure bargains in

Dry Goods, Shoes Hats and Clothing

We guarantee to save you 20 to 25 per cent on all goods in above lines. Sale will close Saturday, November 7th. Come early and get your pick before the stock is broken.

NO GOODS CHARGED AT COST

All goods sold during this sale for cash only. Stock too large to list prices, but come and see for yourself, and we will convince you that this is no catch penny offer but a real reduction to close out the stock.

J. B. Gillam, Jr.

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Come in and see the
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FREE

On Christmas eve The Herald Book Store will give away a handsome doll to the most popular child in Bamberg County. This doll is a handsome one, and is now on exhibition in our show window. The method will be to vote for the doll, and one vote will be allowed with every purchase of five cents. A purchase of \$1.00 entitles you to 20 votes, and so on. Vote early and often. Tickets for voting will be furnished by us, and votes to be counted must be on these tickets.

That line of silverware has arrived, and if you want to see something beautiful, come in and look it over. The prices are reasonable, and you will say so too when you see the handsome goods. It is all quadruple plate, and the line embraces coffee and tea pots, sugar dishes, cream pitchers, puff boxes, baby cups, shaving mugs and brushes, bread trays, syrup pitchers, etc. This silverware is made in South Carolina, at Hartsville, so patronize home industry and build up your State.

THE BIG DOLL

We will open up in a few days a line of toys which has never been equaled in Bamberg. We will not have any trashy stuff, but strong, durable toys that won't break up in a day or two. They are in the store now, but we have been too busy to open them up. The assortment embraces all sorts of mechanical toys, engines, automobiles, battleships, magic lanterns, moving picture machines, etc. Some toys sell as high as \$6.00. See the line.

We also have a full assortment of picture books for children, including Buster Brown, Foxy Grandpa, etc.

New shipment of cut glass expected this week.

Another lot of Fancy China will arrive soon.

Don't forget our assortment of Pictures.

Big line Christmas Goods will be shipped this week. This will be the largest and prettiest assortment ever shown here. Presents in the line for everybody.

We are constantly receiving new goods. Come in and see what we have. Looking entails no obligation to buy.

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